

Onions



Grades

(1) BGG

- U.S. No. 1.
- U.S. Combination.
- U.S. No. 2.

(2) Other than BGG

- U.S. No. 1.
- U.S. Export No. 1.
- U.S. Commercial.
- U.S. No. 1 Boilers.
- U.S. No. 1 Picklers.
- U.S. No. 2.

Tolerances

BGG- 10% total defects, including 2% for decay.

Other than BGG- 5% total defects, including 2% for decay.

Good Delivery Guidelines (BGG)

15% total, including 4% decay

Good Delivery Guidelines(Other Than BGG)

8% total, including 4% decay

Common Defects

Damage by:

1. Cuts, mechanical damage when any cut extends deeper than one fleshy scale, or when any bruise breaks a fleshy scale.
2. Seedstems when tough or woody, or which are more than 1/4 inch in diameter.
3. Dry sunken areas when affected areas exceed the equivalent to that of a circle 1/2 inch in diameter on an onion 2-3/4 inches in diameter which does not have the outer papery scale covering the affected areas or when the affected areas exceed the equivalent to that of a circle 3/4 inch in diameter on an onion 2-3/4 inches in diameter which has the outer papery scale covering the affected areas.
4. Watery scales when more than the equivalent of one entire outer fleshy scale is affected by an offcolored, watersoaked condition.
5. Translucent scales when more than the equivalent of two entire outer fleshy scales have a watersoaked condition.
6. Sprouts when visible, or when concealed within the dry top or neck scales and more than 3/4 inch in length.
7. Black mold when the aggregate area of a circle exceeds 3/4 inch in diameter.
8. Bruising when any bruise breaks 1 fleshy scale.

Serious damage by:

1. Cuts, mechanical damage when any cut extends deeper than two fleshy scales.
2. Seedstems when more than 1/2 inch in diameter.
3. Dry sunken areas when extending deeper than one fleshy scale, or when affecting an area equivalent to that of a circle 1 inch in diameter.
4. Watery scales when more than the equivalent of two entire outer fleshy scales are affected by an offcolored, watersoaked condition.
5. Translucent scales are never scored as serious damage.
6. Sprouts when the visible length is more than 1/2 inch.
7. Black mold when the aggregate area of a circle exceeds 1-1/4 inch in diameter.
8. Bruising when any bruise breaks 2 fleshy scales.

